

REMARKS

By this amendment, Applicants have amended the specification to include appropriate headings therein, to delete reference numerals therein to the claims and to include a Brief Description of the Drawings. The Abstract has been amended to be in proper form. Applicants have also amended the claims to more clearly define their invention. In particular, claim 2 has been amended to be in independent form by including therein the limitations previously recited in independent claim 1. Accordingly, claim 1 has been canceled. Claims 2-10 have been amended to delete the reference numerals therefrom and claims 3 and 10 amended to depend from claim 2.

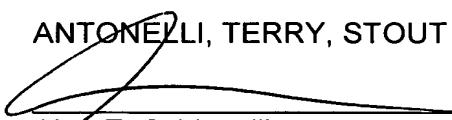
In view of the cancellation of claim 1 and the change in dependency of claims 3 and 10, the rejection of claims 1 and 3 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) in numbered section 2 of the Office Action and the rejection of claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) in numbered 4 of the Office Action are moot.

Applicants note the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2 and 4-9. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is submitted that all of the claims now in application are in condition for allowance.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 306.43774X00).

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